

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method for opiate detoxification comprising administering to a patient by injection a single 50mg dose an opioid antagonist selected from the group consisting of naloxone and nalmefene HCl.

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising simultaneously administering dextromedetomidine HCl at a rate greater than or equal to 1.5 mg/kg/hr.

Claims 5-31 (canceled)

32. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising anesthetizing said patient.

33. (new) The method of claim 32, further comprising administering diazepam, alprazolam, and trazodone orally prior to anesthetizing said patient.

34. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising intubating the patient prior to administering said naloxone.

35. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising administering antiemetics and antiperistaltic agents prior to administering naloxone.

36. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising administering 8mg of nalmefene HCl.

37. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising administering an antihistamine agent prior to administering naloxone.

38. (new) A method for opiate detoxification comprising administering to a patient a single dosage of

naloxone, wherein an amount of said naloxone is based on said patient's weight and is 1.4mg/kg.

39. (new) The method of claim 38, wherein said amount is 50mg.